Messiah Messenger

Gather....Grow....Go....Spread the Good News!

Summer Time Worship

We are planning to maintain current Sunday morning worship times through the summer:

8:30am worship at Bethel,9:15am worship at Moe,10:30am worship at Messiah

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OFFICE HOURS for Office Administrator: Tuesday – Thursday (9:00AM – 3:00 PM)



REMINDER!

As you do your **spring cleaning**, please keep in mind the Messiah quilters and Bell Choir. The quilters are replenishing their supply of <u>sheets</u> and <u>fabric</u> and donations can be left at the church office or put on the shelf just off the Sunday school wing.

The <u>Bell Choir</u> will be having their <u>annual rummage sale</u>.

We have decided it will be held probably in August. As you go through your household items, please hold them for us. We will take anything except clothes. We will ask for the items right before the sale. Watch for further information.





Messiah Messenger A Pastoral Reflection

Dear Friends in Christ,

Finally ... Spring is making its long-awaited appearance. What a delight! An additional bonus is a loosening of the pandemic's tight hold! Hallelujah! The unfolding of tender green leaves, the blooming colors of

flowering trees, the bursting forth of bright tulips ... they all seem to be celebrating with us!

Our noses revel in the intoxicating fragrances of new life wafting through the air. Our ears joyfully receive melodies of nesting songbirds. Winter ... the pandemic ... the long days of isolation ... are all releasing their cold, life-draining hold on us.

It's at times like these that we can multiply our enjoyment by taking the time to delight in the simplest of life's good pleasures. Like the psalm writer of long ago, we need to spend a portion of each day ... "taking delight in the Lord." (*Psalm 37:4*)

How does one "delight in the Lord?" How about trying this sensory exercise for a few minutes each day? We think you'll be pleasantly surprised by the many "delights" you will experience!

<u>Use your eyes</u> to observe the tiniest details of God's creation all around you.

<u>Use your ears</u> to listen to the leaves rustling in the wind, the musical peeping of frogs, the sounds of children at play.

Use your nose to inhale the fresh smell of mown grass or the scent of the air after a sudden rain shower.

<u>Use vour sense of touch</u> to feel the warmth of the sun on your face, the softness of freshly worked garden earth, the coolness of waves at the lake lapping at your toes.

Use your tongue to relish those delicious onion rings and creamy shakes from Earl's Drive In!

Friends, every good and perfect gift comes to us in generous measure from our God! On every side, God surrounds us with an outpouring of His loving provision for the good of our body, mind, and spirit. Let us DELIGHT in the gifts we've been given and gratefully submerge ourselves in the generosity of our Creator.

Pastor Dave & Deacon Joanne

Messiah Messenger A message from the Church President

June, 2021

Hello Messiah Congregation!

A huge THANK YOU to everyone that attended the special congregational meeting in May. You voted to move forward with the upgrades to improve our audio and video capabilities. We have received several donations towards the balance needed. I don't have an exact dollar amount, but I believe it is between \$4,000-\$5,000. Thank you to all who have donated so far. It would be great to receive more donations to cover the rest (around \$7,000). If you would like to donate to these upgrades, contact a council member or the office. Checks can be mailed or dropped off at the church office, write "audio/video update" in the memo.

We are also looking for more volunteers to work in the sound booth. If you are interested or want to check it out on a Sunday, contact Marty, Paul or Bob. They would be more than happy to show you what they do on a Sunday morning.

Lastly, we are paying attention to the COVID guidelines that are coming from the Minnesota Department of Health. We know they might change on a weekly basis moving forward. Please be patient as we make decisions to continue to keep us all safe. It's been great seeing people's full faces!

God's Peace!,

Karyn

Karyn Santl 242-3912 <u>santl.karyn@gmail.com</u>

Messiah Messenger Senior Recognition 2021





MESSIAH 2021 SENIOR GRADUATES, SEND THEM A NOTE OF THANKS

Hello Messiah Congregation! Listed Below is our 16 Messiah Seniors and their addresses! These are 16 great individuals whose class has had a lot of changes in their Senior Year but have remained strong and are thriving! PLEASE send them a note of encouragement, congrats and prayers to show them how much they are loved from their Messiah Church Family, God Bless You All



JORDYN BERGSTROM



ABBY BORIS



KALLIE BYFUGLIEN



KADEN COCKLE



ALEX DAHL



ZACHARY JAENICKE





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BO MONSRUD



GARON SCHUMACHER



BRAYDN WENSLOFF



BROCK MONSRUD



ELLA TRANGSRUD



ISAAC MOSER



ANDREW TUTTLE

MESSIAH SENIOR GRADUATES HOME ADDRESSES

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Again, I encourage you all to send a note, congrats, prayers to these 16 amazing young ar Sunday, May 30¹¹¹ at 10:30 am Messiah Worship Service will be a Senior Recognition Serv of the service dedicated towards the Seniors' Join us in person at 10:30 am or watch the on our Messiah Facebook Live Video Streaming Service. Quilters are giving quilts to each and they also get a gift from the church!

Jay Ostgaard (Director of Youth & Family Ministry)

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Messiah Messenger Announcements



"Lord, Hear our Prayer": If you or someone you know is in need of prayer, we would love to pray for you! You can be placed on the confidential prayer chain by reaching out to Messiah's Prayer Chain Coordinator, Mary Olson (218-463-2364).

To make a request for prayers during worship, fill out the prayer request form found on the table in the narthex and turn in to the church office.

If you have any questions, please feel free to ask either Mary, Deacon Joanne, or Pastor Dave .



Smart Team Update: Masking is no longer required in the Church building, with the exception of during events where singing occurs.

Masking will be expected during the worship service, as singing occurs during that time. Masks will be required for youth activities inside the church, but masks will not be required for youth activities that occur outdoors.

	Messiah's Financial Update			
	<u>Check Book Balance</u>	YD Cash Inflow	<u>YTD Expenditure</u>	Ending Bal-
	YTD thru March 2021: \$ 94,821.23	\$ 45,784.96*	\$ 58,011.26	\$ 82,600.93
Ì	*Includes PPP Loan proceeds			

THANK YOU THRIVENT MEMBERS!

Messiah has received <u>\$1,780.00</u> through Thrivent Choice Dollars this year to date.

Thrivent Choice Dollars are funds designated to eligible Thrivent Members, based on insurance premiums, contract values and Thrivent Financial volunteer leadership. Choice Dollars can be directed to thousands of nonprofit organizations nationwide, including local congregations.

*If you would like to designate Choice Dollars to Messiah but are unsure how to do so, please contact our local Thrivent Financial Associate:

Luke Erickson at 463-3573

Messiah Messenger Council Minutes

Messiah Lutheran Church Council Meeting - May 18, 2021 Approved 5/24/2021 via Email

President Karyn Santl called the meeting to order - "in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit."

Members Present: Karyn Santl, Bob Tuttle, Ashley Filpula, Bonnie Delmore, Marty Trangsrud, Kevin Wensloff, Keith Okeson, Katie Gunderson, Pastor Dave Swonger, Deacon Joanne Swonger.

The meeting opened with introductions and Kevin led devotions.

Keith made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda for the May 2021 meeting as presented, second by Bonnie, unanimously approved.

Karyn Santl presented the Treasurer's report as prepared by Stu McFarlane. Katie made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report, second by Marty, unanimously approved.

Pastor Dave & Deacon Joanne submitted their report. The 4th of July holiday falls on a Sunday this year, so Messiah will not be hosting an in-person service that day, but the radio broadcast will be pre-recorded and aired that day.

Property Report: Re-keying has been completed and the key lock box has been installed. Replacement white boards have been installed. Ceiling tiles in need of repair will be replaced. Lighting upgrades should begin in the coming weeks. A bottle filling station has been requested and it can be installed by the property committee.

Marty amade a motion to approve \$500 for a bottle filling station for the current water fountain, second by Ashley, unanimously approved.

Business

- Audio/Video Upgrade Update: An invoice has been received from RPM SounDesign and a check has been mailed. Once the payment has been received, equipment will be ordered. Once equipment is received, installation will be scheduled.
- SMART Team Update: Masking is no longer required in the church building, with the
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- Parsonage: The council would like to develop a task force to help decide options/future plans for the current parsonage. Bob will ask if there is a member of the property committee that is interested in serving on this task force. Discussion will continue at the next council meeting.
- 2021 Synod Assembly Offering: An offering basket will be made available for individuals to donate to this cause if they wish. The special offering will then be submitted to the synod.
- Evaluation of Gideons: Discussion will continue at a later date.
- Office Hours Request: The executive team will meet at a later date to review current job description, learn more about this request, and discuss options moving forward.

Upcoming Dates

Senior recognition Sunday is Sunday, May 30, 2021.

Bob made a motion to adjourn, second by Kevin, unanimously approved.

Devotions for June: Karyn

Next Meeting: Tuesday, June 15, 2021 @ 6:30pm

Respectfully submitted, Ashley Filpula